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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
9 AT SEATTLE

10 ROBERT JOHNSON, et al.,

11 Plaintiffs,

12 v.

13 NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC,

14 Defendant.

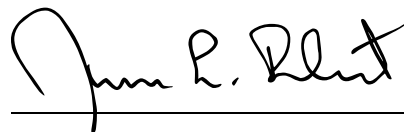
CASE NO. C16-1031JLR

ORDER STRIKING MOTION TO  
COMPEL

15 Before the court is Plaintiffs Robert Johnson and Kristin Johnson's (collectively,  
16 "the Johnsons") motion to compel Defendant Nationstar Mortgage, LLC, to respond to  
17 discovery requests and for sanctions. (Mot. (Dkt. # 13).) The Johnsons filed that motion  
18 without first requesting a conference with the court. (*See* Dkt.) The motion therefore  
19 contravenes the court's October 14 2016, scheduling order. (*See* Sched. Order (Dkt.  
20 # 11) at 2 (citing Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(b)(3)(B)(v)) ("[P]ursuant to Federal Rule of Civil  
21 Procedure 16, the Court 'direct[s] that before moving for an order relating to discovery,  
22 the movant must request a conference with the court' by notifying [the courtroom

1 deputy] . . . .” (second alteration in original)); *see also* Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(b)(3)(B)(v)  
2 (permitting the court, in its scheduling order, to “direct that before moving for an order  
3 relating to discovery, the movant must request a conference with the court”). The court  
4 therefore STRIKES the Johnsons’ motion to compel (Dkt. # 13) without prejudice to  
5 renewing the motion in a manner that comports with the court’s scheduling order.<sup>1</sup>

6 Dated this 17th day of April, 2017.

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9 JAMES L. ROBART  
10 United States District Judge  
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20 <sup>1</sup> The court recognizes that the Johnsons filed their motion to compel on the last day  
21 permitted for such motions under the court’s scheduling order. (*See* Sched. Order at 1 (“All  
22 motions related to discovery must be filed by . . . April 14, 2017”).) Accordingly, the court  
extends this deadline until Friday, April 21, 2017, to permit the Johnsons an opportunity to  
renew their motion in a manner that complies with the requirements set forth in the court’s  
scheduling order. The court admonishes the Johnsons’ counsel to carefully read and abide by the  
court’s orders in the future.